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AN INVOLUNTARY PRESIDENT.

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"Again I beg your excellency's pardon," said Mendoza. "The day before yesterday, when I arrested Alvarez, I made myself dictator. The first decree I issued was one making you a citizen. Then I ordered an election for president, which took place yesterday, and you had the usual majority of 748,000 votes, your adversary, Dr. Del Valle, having 208. So you see you are regularly elected, and I have, of course, resigned my position as dictator."

"But, you amiable lunatic," said I, "do you mean to tell me that 740,000 people or thereabout voted for you, though most of them had never so much as heard of my existence before election day?"

"I have not said that 740,000 people voted for you, Don Smith," he replied. "There are never more than 300 or 400 who vote in any election in this country. It is the business of the police to conduct an election and to give the proper candidate the proper number of votes. Alvarez always had from 740,000 to 750,000 majority, and we thought it right that you should have the same. I assure you that everything has been done in the most regular and constitutional way, and your election is as valid as that of the president of the United States."

"I'll admit," said I, "for the sake of argument that I have been elected president and am a citizen of Orizaba. But I am still the American consul, and if I accept your presidency I must resign my consulate, and give up my logwood business, and I don't mean to do either."

"Your heart is most noble, Don Smith," said Mendoza, "but you do not as yet fully understand the customs of this country. The United States will never know that you are president unless you inform them of the fact. Then why not continue to be consul? There is no reason why a president should not carry on a great and glorious business like yours, especially when he can, if he chooses, confiscate all the logwood in the country. Beloved friend and preserver, let me beg you to accept the presidency to which an admiring nation has elected you. If you do not like the position, you can retire before your term of office expires, and I will take your place. I forgot to say that I am your vice president, and that while dictator I also promoted myself to the rank of lieutenant general and to the supreme command of the army."

Well, I talked awhile longer with Mendoza, and then I took ten minutes to think the thing over. So far as I could see, I was at least as good a president as anybody else, and there was no work for an American consul to do in Orizaba. I didn't see that I need resign an office that wasn't anything but a name. So, on the whole, I decided to accept the presidency and marched arm in arm with General Mendoza to the palace. I never saw more enthusiastic people in my life than the people of Santa Rosa. They lined the sides of the street and cheered for me as if I were Abraham Lincoln come to life again. I was surprised at this, but Mendoza afterward told me that there was a policeman with a knife standing behind every citizen who hadn't previously expressed his confidence in me, and that any man who hadn't cheered for me would have found himself in difficulty.

I marched arm in arm with General Mendoza to the palace.
"There is nothing so easy to arouse as public enthusiasm," said Mendoza, "provided you know how to do it and can trust the police." Mendoza wasn't what you could fairly call a great man, but he knew politics from A to Z.
I hadn't been president three days before I saw the tremendous advantages of the place. I had the best sort of food and drink and lodging and clothes, and, although I couldn't collect a particle of salary, owing to the treasury being empty, I had all the comforts that Orizaba could produce. I found that there weren't any taxes whatever. When old Alvarez wanted money, he sent word to the rich men of the country that he wanted a government loan at 15 or perhaps 20 per cent, just as the notion struck him, and that each man would please to send so much—mentioning 24 exact amount—to the palace within 24 hours. When I made it understood that no more such loans would be asked for, I had every man in Orizaba who was rich enough to wear shoes on my side. To raise a revenue I imposed taxes payable in logwood and mahogany and coffee and bananas, and the way the taxes poured into the palace yard would have astonished you. I satisfied my conscience, so far as my San Francisco partners were concerned, by sending them about one-half the amount of taxes, and the rest I sold to any purchasers that happened to come along, and turned the money into the treasury. Considering that I never claimed more than a cent of salary the whole time I was president, I think I was pretty middling honest. I considered them, as I do

now, that my first duty was to the people that I ruled over, and I was satisfied with the profits that I made out of my logwood business.

There is no denying that I did use the combination of presidency and consulate to the advantage of my San Francisco firm. When I wanted any favor from the government, I used to write as a private American citizen to myself as consul asking for it. Then I would forward the letter, with a strong recommendation, to myself as president, and generally I granted the request. Some men in my place would simply have taken possession of anything they wanted without any formalities, but I always had a respect for law and order, and I always endeavored to be as honest as the particular situation in which I found myself would allow me to be without seriously injuring myself or my friends. I hope you won't think I am boasting of my extreme honesty. I'm no Pharisee, and if I am better than the average man I'm the last one to go about calling attention to the fact.

I tried to improve the moral and material condition of the natives, but I couldn't make the least impression on them. You can't make a man work when he can earn a living by lying on his back in the shade and eating ripe bananas. As for getting the people to understand the benefits of education, I might as well have tried to get a milkman to understand the benefits of not yelling his head off in the streets. There were about a dozen men in Santa Rosa, not counting the priests, who could read and write, and they wanted to keep the knowledge to themselves. They said that if I tried to establish public schools and to make the people attend them there would be a revolution in good earnest. However, I did accomplish one great reform. When I took the presidency, the whole country was swarming with police, who stole pretty much everything they could lay their hands on and kept the population in a state of terror by their crimes. I just abolished the entire police force, with the exception of two constables, whom I kept in the palace yard, where I could keep my eye on them.

The army consisted of 50 men, under Lieutenant General Mendoza, and I gave orders that the soldiers should shoot any man on sight whom they might catch in the act of committing any police operation. This very nearly put an end to crime in Orizaba. You see, the average Orizabian, providing he wasn't a professional policeman, hadn't the energy to steal, and with the exception that now and then there would be a quarrel, and one man would stab another, there was less crime in Orizaba than in any community that I ever knew anything about.

Well, not to take up too much time, I will just say that I ruled Orizaba for a year and a month, and in that time I made the fortune of my San Francisco firm, besides doing more to develop the trade of the country than any Central American president ever dreamed of doing. I filled up the empty treasury till it contained over \$17,000, which in the eyes of an Orizabian was a tremendous sum, and Lieutenant General Mendoza couldn't resist the temptation to handle it. He came to me one day, with a file of soldiers at his back, and said that he was awfully sorry, but that the troops had revolted that morning and made him dictator, and that unless I left for San Francisco by that day's steamer he was afraid that he couldn't restrain the bloodthirsty instincts of the men.

I didn't reproach Mendoza, though he knew well enough that I understood just how much truth there was in his pretense that I would yield only to force, and that if he wanted me to leave the palace he would have to carry me out. So he ordered his men to handcuff me and put me on board the steamer, which they accordingly did. The steamer was one belonging to my San Francisco firm, and, though the captain was considerably astonished to see me handcuffed and offered to take his crew and clean out the town, I told him it was all right, and so it proved to be.

Mendoza had forgotten that I was the United States consul as well as the president. When I got back to San Francisco, I complained to the government that I had been forcibly expelled from Orizaba, and I demanded \$17,000 as damages. The government, being glad of a safe chance to display a spirited foreign policy, sent a man-of-war to Santa Rosa without delay and not only collected that \$17,000 from President Mendoza, but required him to resign his position as president in favor of the president of Central America. The final result was that Orizaba lost its independence and became once more a part of Central America, and that Mendoza had to emigrate or be shot as a traitor. As he had no money, he probably starved to death in some South American republic.

It never leaked out in the United States that I had been president of Orizaba, and I shouldn't tell the story now if it were not that I am out of the consular service for good and am rich enough not to want any more favors from the government. I still feel a little sorry for Mendoza, for he was a full good fellow in his way, though a full good fellow is something that he couldn't keep his hands off. He must have been considerably astonished at the way I turned the tables on him, and I don't doubt he was heartily sorry that he hadn't been faithful to me. Any man who does a mean action in order to make money and finds that he doesn't make it must feel more or less sorry if there is anything good in him.

Fifteenth Century Vases.
The account books of All Souls' college, Oxford, are in an excellent state of preservation, and from them we are enabled to get a correct idea of the wages paid about A. D. 1438. Carpenters and sawyers got 6d. a day; daubers, 5d.; stone diggers and laborers, 4½d.; masons and joiners, 8d.; a master carpenter, 3s. 4d. a week, enjoying also a tithe from each laborer employed under him, a custom still existing in many parts of India, and which the engineers are trying to abolish. A skilled image carver received 4s. 8d. a week, with

bed and board, as he generally came from a distance. In those halcyon days a horse cost the modest sum of £3.—J. W. Parry in Engineering Magazine.

At the Vaudeville.
"Yes, I lost my watch in the river once, and it kept on running for seven years."
"The watch?"
"Nab The river."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietor has no selfish ends in his curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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SOUTH RUMFORD.

W. E. Clark is working at the sorting

Gene Lovejoy is working for W. E. Clark.

Dr. J. F. Putnam has a new iron wheeled farm wagon.

Mrs. M. L. Wyman is visiting at Ezra Bray's in Auburn, this week.

Mrs. Drusilla Jackson is boarding at her brother's, F. P. Putnam's.

W. Clark went to Weld, last Saturday, for two weeks stay at Crescent Beach camp.

Annie Martin from Rumford Point is teaching here and boards with Mrs. Harvey Neal.

John King and James Burke have cut the maples in M. L. and W. A. Wyman's sap orchard and are clearing it up.

The water is in the road below the post-office so deep that teams cannot go through it, so all the travel to the Falls is by boat.

Mrs. Susie Longley and daughters, Dorothy and Marion, have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Putnam, the past week.

F. P. Putnam was in Portland, last week, having been drawn grand juror in the U. S. court. M. L. Wyman was drawn traverse juror and has gone, this week.

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If not, drink Grain-O—made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I didn't like it, but after I had it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee." It is nourishing and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package to-day from your grocer. Follow the directions in making it and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for old and young. 10c. and 50c.

WEST FRYEBURG.

Sam'l Mudgett continues very ill with alarming symptoms.

B. W. McKee has been at home directing operations upon his farm.

Clem. Towle has gone to Fryeburg to work at repairing bicycles at which he is an expert.

Rev. C. S. Young has been in the place looking over his farm preparatory to spring work.

Roger Hutchins was kicked in the face by a horse, last week, and escaped more serious damage than the loss of four or five teeth.

The remains of the late Mrs. Harriette Shirley of Boston, Mass., were transferred from the tomb in Fryeburg, last week, to the cemetery in this place. Mrs. Shirley's only surviving sister is Mrs. Nancy McKee, Secretary McKee's mother.

FREE OF CHARGE.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at Williamson & Kimball's, Norway, and F. A. Shurtleff's, South Paris, will be presented with a sample bottle of Beecher's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

No throat or lung remedy ever had such a sale as Beecher's German Syrup. Twenty years ago millions of bottles were given away, and your druggists will tell you its success was marvelous. It is really the only cure for Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and Lung Remedy, generally endorsed by physicians. One 75 cent bottle will cure or prove its value. Sold by all druggists in this city.

GILEAD.

The Tavern has been papered and painted.

Thomas Waters of Bangor is working for Hastings Lumber Co.

Solon Coffin has moved from the Leighton place to D. L. Austin's.

Within a fortnight eight hedgehogs were killed at E. R. Bennett's.

George N. Richardson is to return to his residence on the old homestead.

Jerome A. Heath, a Gilead boy, is now a most successful architect and builder. He lives in Michigan.

The May ball given at the town hall, Monday night, was very well attended and all report an elegant time. Several guests from out of town were present.

Among those in town recently are John Wilson of Shelburne, J. O. Tenney, Fred Minard of Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Hastings of Auburn, Fred Coffin of Berlin.

Two of our schools commenced, May 1st. The village district is under the care of Dorothy M. Harrison of Foxcroft, and the school in No. 3 has for its teacher, Clara M. Smith of Gray, who is a pupil in the Gorham Normal School.

Charles H. Demerit of Bethel has purchased the farm of Ebenezer E. Chapman of Gilead. This farm is one of the best on the Androscoggin river. Mr. Chapman has spent two or three winters in the South and is not now in robust health. Mr. Demerit will take possession at once.

Nathaniel H. Quiney of East Fryeburg has had his pension increased, \$6 to \$12.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by A. O. Noyes & Co. Drug Store, Norway, and F. A. Shurtleff of South Paris.

WEST MINOT.

H. W. Beauce was in the twin cities, Saturday.

Wilson Conant of Buckfield spent last day at F. E. Rowe's.

Mrs. Rose Kinsley returned to her home in Auburn, Friday.

A. J. Eamon of Queens, N. Y., was the guest of H. W. Bessey, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Russell of Auburn were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Rowe, last day.

Mrs. William DeCosta returned, last Wednesday, from a few weeks visit to friends in Boston.

Suckers are very plenty. Large parties are going every night and bringing home large strings.

Mrs. Charles Perry and Mrs. L. G. Perry were in Lewiston, Friday, shopping and making calls.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Whitman were up from Auburn and spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. John Conant.

Mr. Briggs and son of South Paris have been in the place, the past week, doing whitewashing for the people.

Mrs. Rachel Parris and daughter attended the May party at Hebron Grange, Saturday, and reported a very fine time.

The Minot Packing Co. have been grading their grounds and getting ready to enlarge their shop and build their shed.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Frank Wells as usual is taking charge at Aziscon dam.

J. G. and R. S. Bean are sawing lumber in their steam mill.

The mail route commences fifteen days earlier, this season, than usual.

Perley Flint is going in partnership with his father, F. A. Flint, in the hotel, the coming season.

George York has gone to Camp-meadows to paint and put in repair the steamer Bobcat belonging to the Farm-aceenue Club.

The rear of M. D. Sturtevant's drive in the Swift Diamond joined the International Paper Co.'s drive in the Dead Diamond, Saturday noon, April 29.

A six horse team loaded with river-drivers was at Flint's Hotel, Thursday night last week. They were on their way to drive for the Berlin Mills Co.

White lead, oil and zinc can be bought by the owner of buildings, mixed by the painter (who charges for his time doing it) and a good job done, but where is the saving? You can buy Johns' Asbestos Liquid Paints, guaranteed pure, ready to apply immediately, no expense mixing and better mixed than is possible to do by hand. Prices are reasonable. Suburban paints much cheaper, good, reliable, light weight goods, Painters' supplies.

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Norway, Maine.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

North Waterford, Me., May 8, 1899. Two weeks from to-day, I shall put my accounts in the hands of a lawyer for him to collect what are unpaid at that time. Please come and settle with me and save costs.
W. H. KILGORE.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

Oxford, Me., Fryeburg, May 5, 1899. We, the undersigned, having been duly appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the county of Oxford as commissioners to receive and decide upon the claims of creditors of county deceased, whose estate has been represented insolvent, hereby give notice, agreeably to the order of said Judge of Probate, that six months from and after April 18, 1899, have been allowed to said creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that we will attend to the duty assigned us at the office of Hastings and Warren, at Fryeburg, at nine o'clock in the forenoon on each of the following named days, viz.: Saturday, July 29, 1899; Saturday, August 26, 1899; and Saturday, September 2, 1899.
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Imperial Bicycles, Model No. '90, \$50

W. O. & C. W. FROTHINGHAM,

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ITEMS, THIS WEEK

HOBBS' Variety Store,

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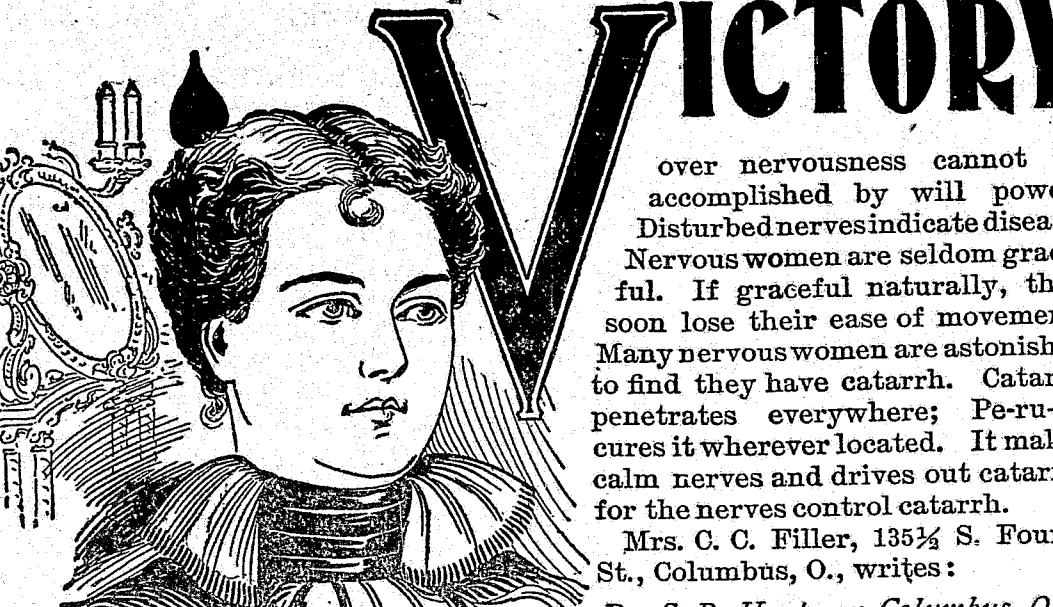
Refrigerators, \$8, \$7.25, \$8.50 and \$9.50.

Screen Doors, 75 cents and \$1.00.

Screen Windows, 15 cents, 25 cents and 38 cents.

GRACEFUL WOMEN

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over nervousness cannot be accomplished by will power. Disturbed nerves indicate disease. Nervous women are seldom graceful. If graceful naturally, they soon lose their ease of movement. Many nervous women are astonished to find they have catarrh. Catarrh penetrates everywhere; Pe-ru-na cures it wherever located. It makes calm nerves and drives out catarrh, for the nerves control catarrh.

Mrs. C. C. Filler, 135½ S. Fourth St., Columbus, O., writes:

Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, O. DEAR SIR:—For ten or fifteen years I have been subject to nervous dyspepsia. I would have spells of quivering in my stomach with smothering feelings. My nerves were terribly debilitated. I was suffering from what is called nervous prostration. My stomach felt bloated and I was constantly weak and trembling. I consulted several physicians who treated me without doing me any good. I had almost given up in despair when I heard of Pe-ru-na. It was about six years ago that I first took Pe-ru-na. I found it an immediate relief to all my disagreeable symptoms. It is the only medicine that has ever been of any use to me."

Send for Dr. Hartman's books on catarrh; they are mailed free. Special book for women: Pe-ru-na cures the diseases of the mucous membrane, and at the same time builds up the general health. All druggists sell it.

Mrs. Rosina Fleming, River Basin, Mich., writes: "Last summer I was troubled with female weakness. Pe-ru-na helped me and now I can do my own work."

Here is a letter from Mrs. Lucie Waldie, Otsego Lake, Mich. She writes: "For three years I suffered with catarrhal dyspepsia. My mouth was so sore I could scarcely eat. I wrote to you for advice and you told me to take Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin. I at once got some and began to take it. It has been ten months since I began to use your medicines and I am perfectly well. I have no signs of my old trouble."

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Bridgeport organ, six octave, almost new, with stool and book, for \$60. One second hand New England organ, with twelve stops, in good condition, with stool and book, for \$50. One second hand Estey organ, very nice tone, low case, in good condition with stool and book, for \$45. One second hand Estey organ, high case, walnut, with eleven stops, for \$55. One second hand Taylor and Farley organ, for \$35.

One second hand Ivers and Pond piano in first-class condition, for \$150. One second hand Behr Bros. piano, mahogany case, nearly new, \$200. One second hand New York piano, almost new, at less than cost, \$175. I have several other pianos and organs which have been used but little, on which I shall make very low prices.

Send for catalogues and prices. Pianos and organs sold on easy monthly payments, and all warranted as represented, or money refunded and instrument taken away. I shall make low prices as I wish to reduce my stock before April 1.

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Coming Events.

May 11—Republican Congressional district convention, Lewiston.
May 12—Democratic Congressional district convention, Lewiston.
May 13—Norway Village Corporation, special meeting.
May 14—W. C. T. U. county convention, South Paris.
May 15—Chapman's great concert, Norway.
May 16—Norway High School graduation, Norway.
May 17—Oxford County Teachers' Association, Canton.
May 18—Memorial day.
May 19—Maine Universalist Convention, Portland.
June 5—South Paris High School graduation.
June 9—Special Congressional election.
June 24—Hebron Academy graduation.
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Ice went out of Rangleley Lakes, the first of the week.

James H. DeCoster has been appointed postmaster at Mechanic Falls.

W. K. Hamlin of South Waterford says his carding mill will run as usual, this season. Read his ad.

Maconda Concert.

The great Maconda concert that the people of Norway and adjoining towns have been anticipating, several weeks, will occur at Norway opera house, next week, Friday evening. This concert is under the management of Prof. W. R. Chapman, and in Maine's larger cities it has called forth large audiences and larger praise. The enthusiasm during the rendition of the program has mounted quite or very near an ovation.

Bessie Silberfeld, the child wonder, has proved herself possessed of a marvelously developed technique.

Mme. Maconda is in the best of voice. Hans Kronold, the New York violinist, needs no introduction, as he has been here before, and it is said that he is playing in better form on this tour than on his last visit to Maine.

The Republican Congressional district convention met in Lewiston, Thursday morning, and nominated Hon. Charles E. Littlefield of Rockland for Representative to Congress. The only opposing candidate was Hon. John P. Swasey of Canton. Oxford County delegates, as far as reported, were chosen as follows:

Andover—Llewellyn R. Hall, Charles E. Cushman.
Bethel—Addison E. Herrick, N. F. Brown, Ira G. Jordan, Fred E. Bean.
Brunswick—George E. Virgin.
Canton—Alvanor O. Reed.
Canton—Adelbert Delano.
Dixfield—Willis W. Waite, W. W. Abbott, Newton S. Stowell.
Fryeburg—Charles G. Warren, Marcus M. Smart.
Greenwood—Edward W. Penley.
Hanover—George E. Virgin.
Hebron—Charles H. George.
Hiram—James Evans, E. L. Allen, Peter B. Young.
Lewiston—Henry G. Walker, Joseph F. Stearns.
Lewiston—John A. Roberts, Eugene F. Smith.
Norway—Charles F. Whitman, A. Frank Andrews, John A. Roberts, Eugene F. Smith.
Oxford—S. N. Wright.
Paris—James S. Wright, Samuel B. Locke, Hiram B. Hubbard, Walter L. Gray, J. F. McArdle, George H. Briggs.
Paris—Nathan E. Harlow.
Portland—Edgar F. Gouletman, C. W. Young, J. F. Lord.
Rumford—Benjamin A. Swasey, Hollis C. Dunton, John E. Stephens, Stanley Bates.
Stonham—Fred H. Bartlett.
Stow—O. B. Barrow.
Sumner—Joseph A. Noyes.
Waterford—Charles O. Goulin.
Lincoln Plantation—James W. Clark.

MASON.

Mrs. Charles Brown is improving, slowly.

Fred Ordway and wife of Gilead were in town, last Sunday.

Owing to the scarlet fever, the school was postponed, one week.

A. S. Bean and clerk, Allen McLeod, of West Bethel were in town, last Sunday.

There are four in the family of Daniel E. Mills sick with scarlet fever. The Board of Health are doing all that can be done to keep it from spreading.

At a meeting of the Board of Health the following officers were chosen: Chairman, Arthur F. Morrill. Secretary, Addison E. Bean. Samuel O. Grover.

A small bear was seen near the school-house, Monday morning, by one of A. S. Bean's teamsters. Our protection law does not prohibit bear's roaming at will. Ho! for protection to sheep and husbandry!

Last Sunday, we visited the spot where the first house was built in what is now the town of Mason. It was built in 1818 on 19, by Cyrus Mills. Near the old cellar is an apple tree, set out about 40 years ago. It is over two feet through at the base and is a vigorous growing tree. Several generations have eaten fruit from it. D. E. Mills, grandson of the late Cyrus Mills, now owns the land of the first settler of Mason.

HARTFORD.

Eugene Tobin and family have moved to Turner.

Byron Tuttle spent Sunday last at John Ford's.

School commenced at the Centre, Monday last.

Mrs. John Ford has gone to Sumner to care for the sick.

We notice that the caterpillars are as thick as usual, this year.

Stanley Benson and wife have moved from the Addison Newton stand to the Albert Sampson farm owned by Mr. Doten.

WEST BETHEL.

Mrs. D. O. Bennett is in poor health. Florence Stiles is at Bethel attending school.

Dana Grover has been farming for W. H. Merrow.

A. S. Bean turned his young cattle to pasture, May 8.

Vitella Davis of Bethel was in this village, last Sunday.

Charlie Valentine is doing quite a business at farming.

Mrs. Harry Lane has been very sick but is now improving.

Addie Foster of Gorham, N. H., has been here to visit her sister.

L. C. Bean and Hazel Bean are here stopping at Geo. Goodnow's.

Frank Goodnow of Gorham, N. H., was in this village, last Saturday.

Charlie Paine and wife are the proud parents of a very pretty baby.

Edith Grover of Errol, N. H., is here at work for her sister, Mrs. Fred Ordway.

We received a generous quantity of maple syrup from Henry F. Stiles. It was a fine treat.

W. H. Merrow is having his house newly painted on the outside. George Merrow is doing the work.

Several of the flower gardens are ready to receive their usual cleaning out, ready to receive new plants and seeds.

Visitors at W. A. Farwell's, last Sunday, were Levi Brown of Gorham, N. H., Solon Coffin of Gilead and Rufus Skilling and wife, also Harriet Farwell of Bethel.

Frank Ordway went to Albany, last Saturday, stopping over night with a former neighbor, Josiah Connor. While there he went fishing, catching a large lot, out of which on his return his neighbors received a good treat.

GREENWOOD.

J. O. Ring was home from Bethel over Sunday.

Oscar Peabody is working in the rim shop at West Paris.

Frank Ring has recently got him a span of work horses.

Angie French from North Norway is teaching school at Greenwood City.

Mrs. E. W. Penley spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Herrick.

Ernest Herrick has been quite sick for the past few days but is some better at this writing.

Johnny Ring is working in the bicycle shop at West Paris and boards with his sister, Mrs. Will Farr.

Edith Merrill from Gorham, N. H., is teaching the spring term of school and boards at E. W. Penley's.

Roscoe Coburn, James Lapham, Wesley Ring and B. Colby Ring are at Montreal, working on the Victoria bridge.

Presiding Elder Ladd will preach at the church, next Sunday at half past two. It is hoped there will be a full house.

At a Republican caucus held at Greenwood City, Saturday, May 6th, E. W. Penley was chosen delegate to attend the district convention at Lewiston.

Mrs. Esther Herrick went to Welchville, Saturday, where the remains of her sister, Mrs. Augusta Kempton, are to be brought from Stoneham, Mass., and buried, Monday.

WEST BUCKFIELD.

Harry Buck has lost a cow.

Frank Warren was at H. Buck's, Sunday.

Mary Farrar of Auburn is at Mr. Farrar's.

Sadie Lowe was at John Flagg's, last week.

Romanzo Lowe sold two horses, last week.

Arthur Jordan is at work for Fred Cooper.

Dana B. Harlow is at home from Massachusetts.

Jennie Bonney was at Dan Emery's, Saturday and Sunday.

Allice Pratt and Annie LeHay have gone to Rumford Falls.

Mrs. Rowe is going to take care of C. B. Harlow's baby for two years.

O. D. Warren and wife from North Buckfield were at Harry Buck's, Sunday.

John Flagg is at Brunswick in the hospital. Fannie Harlow is staying with Mrs. John Flagg.

Hon. John P. Swasey has resigned the position of Memorial Day orator at Auburn.

DENMARK.

Mrs. Caroline Witham of Bridgton is visiting at S. D. McKusick's.

C. O. Pendexter has bought of Charles Hill his next winter's coal and has it put in.

Mrs. Sadie Lunt goes, this week Thursday, to Cranberry Isles, to join her husband.

Farmers are doing their sowing and putting in their early peas and potatoes in their gardens.

Mrs. Geo. Allen and Susie Rowe are at work at Berry's Mills for Eugene Gray, who has a sick wife.

Mrs. S. D. McKusick and daughter Sadie visited at Thomas Easton's at Bridgton, last week.

Mrs. Annie May Hartford stayed with Mr. Dr. Brown, several days last week, to help her as she is quite poorly.

L. A. Ingalls, C. O. Pendexter and others went to Peabody pond, last week, trouting. Mr. Pendexter brought home one speckled beauty, 2½ lbs.

Two of the selectmen of Brownfield were over, Sunday, to look after L. K. Lane, who is quite sick and is helped by the town. Mr. Lane's son and grandson of Buxton came in the night, Sunday, to look after the sick father.

The surveyors of lumber and river drivers were at work on the lumber of Chas. McKenney, which he bought of several parties here. They will run it out from Moose brook into the Saco river. Chas. McKenney was in town, last week, looking after his lumber.

Rev. James Wharton, missionary, who has been laboring South, came here, Saturday, and will spend two weeks with Rev. Mr. Sargent. He preached, Sunday, a very plain gospel sermon, which was very interesting and must be profitable. Rev. Mr. Sargent has concluded to stay here at present and withdrew his resignation.

CASCO.

E. A. Barton and son Rob made a flying trip to Otisfield on the 2d.

A heavy thunder shower passed over this part of the town on the 2d.

Mrs. F. E. Morse of Oaks visited her niece, Mrs. E. A. Barton, the past week.

Mrs. Archie Rolfe of South Casco is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Edwards.

Mrs. William F. Burgess was called to Otisfield by the sudden death of her niece, Mrs. Orin Winship.

Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Hanson have returned to their farm, after being gone, the past year, at Portland and South Windham.

The West Poland praying band held a meeting at the Shadagee schoolhouse on the 7th. We were glad to welcome our old friends again.

EAST OTISFIELD.

Mrs. Sumner H. Wardwell went to Auburn, Monday.

Edwin Barton and Robbie Barton were in town, last Wednesday.

John J. McNeill, wife and daughter went to Lewiston, Saturday.

Samuel Tripp and wife from Bridgton are visiting at Charles Robbins'.

School began, Monday, on Sorbner Hill with Miss G. I. Spurr, teacher.

School began in district No. 4, May 8, with Blanche Dean from Paris, teacher.

Mrs. Thomas Jackson, who has been visiting her daughter, has returned to Portland.

Lowell Cleveland from Norway is stopping with his grandmother, Mrs. A. Cleveland.

John Lunt and wife from Auburn were in town, last week, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lunt's mother, Mrs. Winship.

WILSON'S MILLS.

F. A. York and E. S. Bennett have gone on the International Paper Co.'s drive.

S. W. Bennett came off Sturtevant's drive, Saturday, and went to work for Percy Ripley, Monday morning, running the engine in his shop.

School commenced, May 1st, taught by Manette Littlefield of Newry. On account of high water many of the scholars could not attend the first week.

Dandelion greens, May 1st. The week before two feet of snow were over them. The extremely warm weather for the season hastened vegetation rapidly. First thunder shower of the season, May 2d.

The extremely high water washed out bridges and culverts in road but teams were going over it again between the two towns, May 6th.

Fishing Notes from Lakeside.

The best of weather has favored the anglers during the past week, and though there have been some brisk winds and rough water, the fishing sports have kept the lines a trolling. Mell Sampson has taken three redspots, weighing respectively 1½, 2 and 2½ lbs. E. W. Bartlett and James True each got a redspot weighing 1½ lbs. each, and Bartlett repeated with another weighing 1½ lbs.

Monday afternoon toward sunset, the salmon showed up in great form for the first time off Freeman's Point. Col. Littlefield was again in good luck and landed the first salmon of the season, a male fish weighing 5½ lbs. and a beauty of course, as all such fish are.

The long looked for smelt were very much in evidence on that evening, several schools being seen, and the big fellows "breaking" for them in a way that pleased the anxious fishermen.

Our reason now why salmon should not be taken, if patiently fished for, morning and evening being the best time to fish at present. In a very few days there should be good success along the shores.

Col. Littlefield also landed a redspot, Tuesday, that pulled the scales down to 1½ lbs. and reports two or three good strikes in the early morning fishing, Wednesday.

The doubtful ones, who have been fearful that the smelt have "gone out," would change their minds had they seen the big fellows "breaking" out of the water, Monday evening.

Keep on fishing, boys; plenty of salmon in the lake yet, waiting for your "lure."

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HEBRON.

Mrs. Dr. Donham returned home from Washington, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Cushman of Auburn visited at H. A. Cushman's, Sunday.

Mr. French of Boston has been spending a few days with his son Percy who attends school at Hebron Academy.

The game of ball between the Hebron Academy and Bates second nines at Hebron, Saturday, resulted in a score of 25 to 13 in favor of Hebron.

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Cora Stevens is in town.

People are busy doing spring work. Frank Harnden has gone to Canada.

Rachel Chase has been working for Winfield Sanborn.

Mrs. Stephen McIntire is better and able to be about the house.

Gettrude Johnson went to school for her first day, last Monday. She is a smart little miss.

Lon. Seavey and wife have gone to their home on Buck Island. Mrs. Seavey is expecting city people in a few weeks.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Mrs. Ella Libby of Lewiston is visiting her parents, H. Pratt and wife.

Asa Harriman has been preparing ground for some of the small farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stevens are now comfortably situated in their new home.

Rev. H. C. Bansey of North Deering came up, Friday, and preached to the Adventist brethren.

P. E. Fish was up from Norway, Sunday. Mrs. Ervin Townsend and son were also here, Sunday.

I. W. Andrews and M. M. Russell attended the funeral services of S. B. Locke, West Paris, Sunday. Mr. Locke will be much missed.

Mrs. Chas. Andrews has been at the hospital at Lewiston. She has not recovered from the effects of her fall at the Hotel Central fire, last winter.

Isaac Andrews and wife are to be congratulated on the arrival of a daughter, May 6th. In an hour that there may be no misunderstanding, I will state that it is not Isaac W. of undertaking fame. He is uncle to Isaac, the father.

Hints for the Household.

Some very good housekeepers do not know how useful simple kerosene is in many ways. For a grease spot in clothing that will not wash it is invaluable, as it will not injure the finest fabric.

Wet the spot and hang in the air and when the kerosene evaporates the grease will disappear, and it is the same with a grease spot on the kitchen floor as is often the case with the most careful housekeeper.

It is fine for cleaning windows. I use in proportion a spoonful to a pint of hot water to wash the glass and then polish with a soft paper or dry cloth. A spoonful of kerosene put in boiling starch will prevent the iron from sticking and also impart a nice gloss. A spoonful or two in the wash boiler will help to make the clothes white and clear.

It has also many good medicinal qualities. I have seen it used in cases of croup with good effect. The lungs were bathed with it and a teaspoonful administered internally, which afforded almost instant relief. It is also very soothing for a burn by wetting a cloth with it and wrapping to exclude the air.

I saw a request for a recipe for baked Indian pudding in the last week's ADVERTISER so will send mine. To two quarts of scalded milk add two large cups of sifted meal stirred up with one cup molasses, and be sure to have the milk hot enough so that the meal will not settle. Remove from the fire, add a cup of cold milk and two spoonfuls of flour wet with cold milk and stir smooth and add with a cup of raisins, and if the milk is scalded just right when the meal is added you will have a delicious pudding. Add salt to taste. Bake in a hot oven four hours.

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SWEDEN.

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Quite a number in this section have turned their young cattle away to pasture.

Some farmers in this vicinity have sown their grain, also peas, and have planted early potatoes.

Our school has been in session, one week, taught by Emma Jacobs. Every prospect of a good school.

Samuel Bryan of Denmark has moved into John A. Smith's house in the Valley, so called, and will carry on the farm, also.

We hear that Horace Larabee of Bridgton caught a nice basketful of trout in a certain brook in this town, one day, last week.

Walter Gordon bought a nice yoke of three-year-old steers, last week, of Dr. J. L. Bennett. Rufus Kimball is at work for Walter, at present.

Will Richardson is at home from Silver Lake, N. H.

Dea. Samuel Plummer is our champion fisherman.

L. S. Plummer is just home from his trip to Boston, Lawrence and vicinity.

Frank Watts went, May 1st, to work for Will Chadbourn, Waterville.

B. W. Nevers after visiting our schools which began, May 1st, went to North Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Thompson of Bridgton have visited their daughter, Mrs. Roy Lord.

Mrs. N. O. McIntire is teaching at Nevers Corner; Alice L. Perry in the Flint district.

Will Flint is able to attend to his business, buying calves and dressing them for Boston market.

A large number will plant sweet corn, this season, for the Lovell, Bridgton and Harrison factories.

Winfield S. Stevens is putting finish around the doors and new windows in M. E. Perry's barn.

The Y. P. Circle will be entertained at town hall, Wednesday, evening, May 17th. All are invited.

Walter Stone of Salem, Mass., who has been, the past week, at Mrs. J. M. Stone's, returned home, this week.

Frank Noble makes tri-weekly trips to this town, gathering cream, during the warm season, for the Waterville creamery.

Rain is much needed. Our farmers are busy building fences, ploughing and doing other farming. O. P. Saunders planted his potatoes, May 3d. J. W. Perry planted his, May 6th.

M. E. Perry unfurnished the boom of some six hundred thousand of timber at the head of Stearns pond, Wednesday, May 3d, and drove it to the foot and secured it alone. Thursday, John Ames with a crew of men began to drive it down Trull's brook to Highland lake, where there are head works, to take it down the lake. It goes to the Bridgton Lumber Co.

While Mrs. Geo. Marr and children were at church, last Sunday, her horse which was hitched in Mrs. I. S. Richardson's yard by some means became unhitched, and finding itself unloosed ran down to the church where it left the carriage with a broken crossbar, then kept on to Edgar Tower's where it was secured by Lennon Merrill, with no other damage, but a torn harness. Happily no one was injured.

SOUTH ALBANY.

Savin Bros. have bought a pair of oxen of True Brown of Bethel.

Bion Brown of Grover Hill is visiting his sister, Mrs. Martha Savin.

Charlie York of East Waterville was at J. F. Lord's at work, last week.

Mrs. Millie Clair of Portland is stopping with Mrs. Lewis Savin for a while.

Frank Murdoch and Mrs. Frances Jordan of Norway visited friends in this place, last Sunday.

John Stearns of Lovell was through here, last week, with a nick-nack of all kinds to suit all people.

It is reported that the son and heir of Elmer Bentley and wife has been given the name of Berkeley Gladstone.

Mrs. Etta Holt and daughter Nora of Hanover visited her mother, Mrs. Henry Savin, last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Donald McCormick of Boothbay Harbor was at his daughter's, Mrs. John Mason's, last Thursday and Friday. He was called here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Willis Kilgore of North Waterville.

School began in district No. 2, Monday, May 1st, taught by Winifred Browne of Bethel. This is Miss Browne's fifth term in this district and as she comes gladly welcomed back by her parents and pupils, it speaks well for the coming term of school.

NORTH NEWRY.

Walter Fall lost a nice colt, recently. John Fickett is at work for A. C. Littlehale.

Lee Vail is at work for J. B. Littlehale farming.

Dr. Twaddle from Bethel was in town, Monday.

Guy Thurston of Errol, N. H., was in town, Saturday.

R. W. Kilgore is treating his house to a coat of paint.

R. W. Kilgore and daughter Fannie went to Upton, Wednesday.

John Vail is home from the drive and is at work for R. W. Kilgore.

Mrs. Howe from Hanover has been in town dressmaking, the past week.

J. W. Kilgore has bought a pair of nice horses of James McLeod of Upton.

Baker Thurston of Errol, N. H., passed through here on his way to Bethel, Monday.

Isaac Wardwell, wife and two children from Albany were visiting Mrs. Wardwell's niece, Mrs. John Morse, Sunday and Monday.

MEXICO.

Allie Day is clerking for John Howard.

Arthur Babb cut his hand very badly, Thursday.

Mrs. Helena Small is teaching school in Roxbury.

Harry Haines was at home from Jay, over Sunday.

Henry Farrington has moved back here from Dixfield where he has been living for the past year.

A number from this side attended the Dewey Day ball given by Pennacook Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Rumford Falls, May 1.

The American Mechanics gave a ball at the Town Hall, Friday evening.

About thirty couples were present. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Oxford Supreme Judicial Court.

May Term, 1899.

Court adjourned shortly before 3 o'clock, Monday afternoon.

Albert Blabon was sentenced to ten months in jail. He has been in confinement, two months, and accordingly will have a year in all.

The cases of McArdle and others vs. executors of estate of William Cushman were brought up and the judge announced his decision. John McArdle and N. Dayton Bolster win their suits against the executors; and the other suits brought by Charles E. McArdle, Lilla M. Ray and Ann R. Ray were decided in favor of the defense. Charles E. McArdle will carry his case to the law court.

Wright and Wilson for plaintiffs; Davis and Swasey for defendants.

Divorces not previously mentioned in the ADVERTISER are:

Jeannette B. Jordan from Florian Jordan, for adultery. Both reside in Buckfield.

Cora N. Rich of Woodstock from Franklin Rich of Bethel, for gross and confirmed habits of intoxication and cruel and abusive treatment. Custody of minor children to mother.

Minnie A. Chapin of Gilead from Wilson Chapin of Casco, for desertion. Custody of minor children to mother.

Edna Bennett of Albany from James A. Bennett of Albany, for desertion.

Martin Richardson of Lovell from Herbert F. Richardson of Lovell, for desertion.

William R. Bowerman from Mary J. Bowerman, for desertion. This is a Dixfield case.

Mary E. Tucker from Emerson E. Tucker, for gross and abusive treatment. They are Buckfield parties. Custody of youngest child given to the mother. The mother to have the right to visit the other children at all proper times and occasions. The father to have same right as to youngest child.

Eustace F. Bennett from Marion Isabelle Bennett, for adultery. Custody of child given to father. These are Albany and Norway parties.

Saturday afternoon, Arthur P. Sleeper of Freeport was examined for admission to the bar. He passed a good examination and was admitted. Mr. Sleeper is 23 years old.

ALBANY.

Mrs. Inez Johnson is quite sick with a bad cold, a mild form of la grippe.

Mabel Beckler, who has been in poor health, the past winter, is now quite well.

Guy Willey of Norway is taking a week's outing with friends at Hunt's Corner.

Mrs. Hutchinson, widow of the late Haven Hutchinson, aged ninety-three years, is failing rapidly.

Aunt Charlotte Cummings has been quite sick with a very severe cold, but was able to attend Grange meeting, May 6th.

Maud Beckler has returned from Ketchum, where she has been at work, a few weeks past. She is soon to go to Kineo as waitress in a summer hotel.

A. G. Bean has a new surveyor's compass, which he bought of the Manasse Co. of Chicago. He is now equipped for business and is ready to attend to any call in that line.

Mrs. D. A. Cummings, who has been in very poor health since the first of January, is now able to do her work.

Cummings says that Lizzie Flint, who has been working for her during her illness, is one of the most trustworthy persons she ever knew.

Round Mountain Grange has just placed in their hall a new chapel organ, bought of the firm, Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago. They have reason to be proud of such an addition to their pleasant little hall. They held an all-day session, May 6, at which time they entertained several invited guests from Bethel and West Bethel Granges. Their regular meeting was held in the forenoon.

A bountiful dinner was served at noon. After dinner toasts, as follows: Our Guests, sister C. L. Cole; The Grange, brother Valentine, Bethel; Our Grange, brother J. A. Kimball; Women, Cooks, brother J. A. Kimball; The entertainers, brother Leon Kimball. The entertainment in the afternoon was of much merit and duly appreciated. Program as follows:

Song, "The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers" Rec., The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers.

Rec., The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers. Lilla Cummings.

Essay on Pomology. Myra Lord.

Quotations. Mabel Beckler.

Reading, "That Yaller Baby" C. L. Cole.

Character song, "Consin Jedediah" Rec., The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers.

Rec., The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers. Lilla Cummings.

Song, "Break the News to Mother" Fern Johnson.

Music, violin and organ. Kimball brothers.

Character sketch, "The Little Half-worn Shoe" Rec., The Girl with Thirty-nine Hovers.

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Song, "The Heroes of the Maine" Hazel M. Kimball.

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A most enjoyable occasion, say all.

NORTH NORWAY.

Mrs. Frank Stanley is at her mother's on a visit.

Friend J. H. Knapp and Wm. P. French had quite a lively discussion on temperance in liquors and tobacco, one evening last week, at C. A. Frost's.

Last Monday, the bridge near York's mill was repaired with new stringers and planks. Twenty-six years ago we crossed this bridge, and five minutes later it was swept down stream, stone abutments with the rest, by a big freshet. The mill dam was carried away at the time.

Last Saturday, while crossing O. W. H. Judkins' orchard, I picked up a black apple that had laid on the ground all winter and is now in good condition. It was looking so well I showed it to Mr. Judkins, who went to his cellar and brought out two apples (russets) that were grown two years ago last fall, were in good condition and had a good flavor. They have kept the best of any apples I have ever seen, being two and a half years from the time they were harvested.

We hear Clarence Lorc has returned.

Frank Monroe is boarding at E. A. Cox's.

F. Verrell has been shipping potatoes to Boston.

C. A. Frost is erecting a building for L. McIntire.

W. Judkins recently sold two nice pigs to Bicknell.

Mrs. J. S. Horriok is getting over her recent severe illness.

Milton Merriam has a pair of the best matched steer calves in town.

Harlan Flint is having a cream cart made at O. W. H. Judkins' shop.

Mrs. F. Winslow has been quite sick, but has now recovered her usual health.

Mrs. Amy Marshall is canvassing for books, "Our New Possessions," and "Life of Dewey," and is having fine success.

Mr. and Mrs. Symonds' reception was well attended, 35 being present, and they were accompanied with many useful and pretty gifts.

HIGHLAND SPRINGS.—Cora Shackley is doing work at Mr. Knapp's and is now stopping at George G. Abbott's.

School commenced in the Pierce district, Monday. Gussie French teaches. She is one of our best teachers.

Willie and Rosa Dunn had a pleasant gathering of friends at their home, Monday evening. All had a very fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Marston were at G. G. Abbott's, Sunday, and left little Florence Ellen with her grandmother for a few days.

Merrill Brackett has a lamb one year old weighing 123 pounds.

Rev. A. S. Ladd preached a very interesting sermon at the M. E. church, Sunday, May 14th.

William Lombard caught a landlocked salmon, Tuesday afternoon, weighing 3 pounds and 2 ounces.

Rev. A. S. Staples will commence his year's work with the M. E. church, next Sunday, May 14th.

Mr. Staples has exchanged with Mr. Abbott, the first appointed on the charge. We hope to see a full house to welcome our pastor.

The Woman's Relief Corps attended in a body the funeral services of Mrs. W. A. Holmes of Welchville, Saturday afternoon. Deceased was president of the corps ever since the starting of it, over a year ago, and as far as her health would allow has been a faithful member, taking a special interest in the work, and one who will be greatly missed.

Rev. H. L. Williams of Lisbon spoke comforting words to the family and friends.

ALLEN HILL.—We understand that S. B. Charles has had some money fall to him.

Virginia A. Wright has a new bicycle. John Cobb from Poland Springs was in this place, Saturday and Sunday.

W. A. Yeaton was called to his home at Welchville by the death of his father, May 2d.

Mr. and Mrs. William Briggs of Harrison visited Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Yeaton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beak, who have been spending the winter with Mrs. Sarah Pottle, have returned to their home in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. McAllister went to West Minot, last Saturday, to visit their daughter, Mrs. Charles Sawyer, returning home, Sunday. This was the first time Mr. McAllister has been absent from home over night for thirty-one years.

GILEAD.

Samuel Fogg is painting D. L. Austin's house.

Will Bryant has purchased a new bicycle.

Harry Leighton moved into town, Saturday.

A. D. Wicht is putting quite an addition on his barn.

Alma Heath returned home from Gorham, last Saturday.

Thomas Wright and son from Gorham were in town, Sunday.

The Grand Trunk company have workmen in town, laying new rails on the main track.

Fred E. Goodnow has received a permit from the fish commissioner to catch suckers in the creeks. He has also bought a bicycle.

There will be a special meeting of the Mountain Rills at Mrs. D. T. Lary's, on Wednesday, May 17.

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J. W. Bennett began putting in his pine, Tuesday morning.

It is consigned to the Tutton Lumber company.

James Phillips who has been working in Hubbard's mill at Shelburne came to Gilead, Tuesday, on a short vacation.

Abner Doan who has been night operator here for several months left for New Hampshire, Monday morning.

Mr. Eaton of Bryant's Pond will fill his place.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

Eva Goodrich from Gorham, N. H., is visiting Mrs. Fred McLeod.

Wm. H. Mason killed a nice pig, Saturday.

Moody Scribner has been quite sick, the past week.

School began in this district, Monday, the 8th, taught by Daisy Cummings.

Edwin and George Rolfe went to Rumford, Saturday, returning, Sunday.

Clement Bellefontaine is able to be out after his long sickness, but is quite poorly with heart trouble.

BIRTHS.

In East Rumford, May 6, to the wife of Edwin E. Abbott, a son.

In Casco, April 29, to the wife of Charles Street, a daughter.

In Harrison, April 16, to the wife of John F. Hibbard, a son.

In Paris, May 1, to the wife of Gilbert E. Shaw, a son.

In West Bethel, April 16, to the wife of Otis Rawson, a daughter.

In Denmark, May 9, to the wife of Eugene Gray, a son.

In Onfield, May 7, to the wife of Llewellyn Smith, a son.

In Locke's Mills, May 4, to the wife of George Bryant, a son.

In West Sumner, May 6, to the wife of Fred M. Chandler, a son.

In South Woodstock, May 9, to the wife of Isaac Andrews, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

In North Paris, April 20, by Rev. Seth Benson, Clarence J. Perham of Woodstock and May E. French of Sumner.

In Woodstock, May 7, by Alden Chase, esq., Charles F. Stevens of Rumford and Rose E. French of Woodstock.

In Mexico, April 26, by J. M. Walburn, Peter Mahoney and Nettie E. House, formerly of Rumford.

DEATHS.

In West Paris, May 4, Samuel B. Locke, aged 89 years, 16 days.

In Gorham, April 29, Frank H., son of Dana and Emily M. Hill of South Chatham, N. H., aged 32 years, 3 months.

In Rumford Falls, May 3, Gladys Louise, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Hoyle, aged 7 months, 14 days.

In Harrison, April 28, Charles N. Harmon, aged 13 years, 11 months.

In South Paris, May 7, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Buck, aged 6 weeks.

In Rumford Center, April 27, Mrs. Sarah, widow of the late John Clements, aged about 77 years.

In South Paris, May 6, Mrs. Eliza Lyman of Colebrook, N. H., aged 69 years.

In Fryeburg, May 1, Mrs. Laura, wife of Daniel Carleton.

In Lynn, Mass., Bial Scribner, formerly of Oxford, aged 74 years, 11 months.

In Waterville, May 2, Daniel Yeaton, aged 72 years.

In Lisbon, May 3, Mrs. W. E. Holmes of Oxford.

In North Stoneham, April 8, Ruth D., wife of Hiram McKean, aged 38 years, 11 months, 15 days.

In Onfield, May 2, Dorcas, wife of Orin Winslow, aged about 45 years.

In Rockport, May 7, Mrs. H. H. Hobbs of Norway, aged 74 years, 11 months.

In Stone's Falls, May 6, Elmina Pike, widow of the late Dea. Nathaniel Fuller, aged 84 years, 9 months, 27 days.

In Auburn, May 5, Charles Olson, son of A. P. and Camille M. (Pulsifer) Olson, aged 19 years.

EAST SUMMER.

W. M. Robinson is hauling maple for bicycle rims.

A. L. Palmer is contemplating putting in a water supply, this season.

Several are getting ready for haying by putting in horse pitchforks.

L. A. Keene and Isaac Bonney have each lost a cow, the past week.

A. J. Russell has finished his contract, sawing pine for A. J. Berry.

S. F. Stetson has a pair of white-headed steers, 1 year old, for which he has refused \$80.

The old Knight farm on the river road to Buckfield has been sold to Otis Russell of Buckfield.

The tax rate in Sumner for 1899 will be .024. The valuation has increased about \$10,000 over 1898.

D. J. Russell is raising the roof of the old Hodgdon house and will occupy the second floor as a tenement.

The remains of Mrs. Mary Robinson (Hodge) Gammon will be brought from Canton, this week, for interment in Elmwood cemetery.

A. Pomeroy, our road commissioner, thinks of starting the road machine, this week. Elbridge Benson, N. M. Varney and Mr. Pomeroy furnish the horses.

F. L. Warren, who has lived in Mrs. Roanna Robinson's house at the Corner, will move back upon his farm in Hart-wood as soon as Mrs. Warren's health will permit.

The addition of 25 feet to the corn shop is up and boarded. The new part, 25x25, will be used for retorts and will contain 10. The company expects to be able to handle fifty thousand cans per day.

WEST LOVELL.

Lillian Lord is under the care of a doctor.

Olden McAllister has sold one of his horses.

Mrs. Nina Laroque and children visited her sister, Mrs. Albert Babineau, last Sunday.

Webster Abbott is moving into Charles Barker's rent at No. 4.

Perley McKean and wife visited their mother, last Saturday and Sunday.

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For Island Pond and way stations, 3.25 p. m.

ARRIVALS.
From Chicago, Montreal and Quebec, 6.23 a. m.;
4.25 p. m.
From Island Pond and way stations, 9.41 a. m.;
From Lewiston, Portland and Boston, 10.04 a. m.;
3.45 p. m.; 8.03 p. m.

Sunday Trains.
DEPARTURES.
For Lewiston, Portland and Boston, 6.03 a. m.
For Chicago, Montreal and Quebec, 7.40 p. m.

ARRIVALS.
From Chicago, Montreal and Quebec, 6.23 a. m.
From Lewiston, Portland and Boston, 8.03 p. m.

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Auction Sale.

Real estate and personal property of the late W. W. Stevens will be sold at auction, May 13, 1899 at 9 a. m., Rumford Corner, Me.

C. M. WORMELL, Auctioneer.

Business will be continued at the W. E. Austin machine shop on Greenleaf Avenue, Norway, Me. All orders for work will receive prompt attention.

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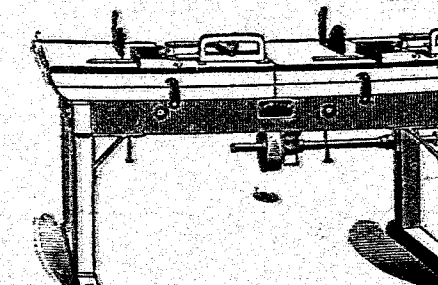
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The traveling is getting quite good. Frank Brooks is having his barn shingled.

Frank Gilman has a very nice pair of calves.

Mrs. Daniel Varney is at work for D. Wadsworth.

Samuel Stanley is to start a dry goods cart on the road soon.

School commenced, May 1st, with Grace Stanley as teacher.

Frank Gilman is putting up a building to connect his house and barn.

Mrs. John Smith has been very sick. Also Mrs. Isaac Libby has been sick.

The farmers are sending their cream to Portland instead of making butter.

James Black and daughter of Monroville, N. H., are visiting at Stephen Fox's.

Mrs. A. E. Rounds is at work at the Park House, where she worked, last year.

Joseph Towle has improved the looks of his buildings by giving them a coat of paint. A. E. Rounds is doing the work.

Our people are having hard luck in raising pigs. A. R. Roberts lost a litter of 11 and Jesse Bickford lost 3 out of a litter of 9.

Joseph Towle left his trap door open while at work in his barn and baked into it. He struck against his side, cracking his ribs, which will lame him for a few weeks.

CANTON.

G. M. Holland of Canton Point is seriously ill with pneumonia. Oren Reynolds who lives in the Bennett family is reported quite ill.

The high water in the Androscoggin river caused much trouble in getting from Canton to Jay and Livermore Falls. The roads were overflowed in several places.

Wildor O. Hayford of Canton has secured a position in Dover, N. H., and will move his family there. He has rented his house to S. D. Dailey, the barber.

HORSE PRINTING.

Are you to say anything about your horse if so, we would like to do the printing for you. We have good quality of type and cuts, and do work at reasonable prices.

An ad in this paper about your horse would be a bad idea. Come in and see us or address ADVERTISER, Norway, Me.

The late Mrs. Martha G. Walker, who died recently at her home in Bridgton, was born in Fryeburg 71 years ago. She was the only child of Charles and Margaret (Gordon) Abbott. She married Simeon C. Walker of that place, a man of brilliant intellect and fine scholarly attainments, for some years Assistant in Bridgton Academy, and afterwards a clergyman in Fryeburg village, where he died, leaving two children, Lillian and Edward C., now residents of Bridgton. Mrs. Walker some years ago took up her abode there. She was a life-long member of the Congregational church, and was a most estimable woman. In early life she was a school teacher, and a successful one. The interment was in the Walker lot at Fryeburg village cemetery.

The Portland & Rumford Falls Railroad are raising the grade of their road in places between Buckfield and East Hebron. The gravel for this work is taken from the pit at Gilbertville. Henry Nelson, assisted by Hal Smith, did the surveying.

A new post-office has been established at Stanley, Oxford County—special from Porter 3 miles, and Martha Jane Young has been appointed postmaster.

SAVED BY A POSTAL CARD.

Thousands who have written for one of the free trial bottles of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy have literally had their lives saved by a postal card. They got the trial bottle, and it proved to them that Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy was the only real cure for diseases of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder and Blood, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia and Chronic Constipation. They bought a large sized bottle of their druggists' and it benefited or cured them (the above is not an idle statement, but the result of careful investigation.)

You can do the same thing. If you are in doubt as to whether you have trouble with your Kidneys or Bladder, put some of your urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours, if it has a sediment, or a milky, cloudy appearance, it is ripe or stinky, pale or discolored, you should lose no time in taking Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It can be had of all druggists at \$1.00 a large bottle, or six bottles for \$5.00. It is without question the surest medicine of the age to put a stop to the back, a frequent desire to urinate especially at night, scalding burning pain in passing water, inability to hold urine and all the unpleasant and dangerous effects produced on the system by the use of whiskey and beer.

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Cut "With the Little Shears."

A remarkable man—Oh, dear, yes, my husband is one of the cleverest men I ever saw. I don't believe there's anything he can't do. Why, do you know what?

No; what?

When we were coming home from New York, the other day, he actually succeeded in opening one of the car windows.

"As I understand it," said the health officer, "you propose to civilize me."

"Exactly so."

"You mean to set me out of habits of idleness and teach me to work?"

"And then lead me to simplify my methods and invent things to make my work lighter?"

"Yes."

"And next I will become ambitious to get rich, so that I won't have to work at all?"

"Naturally."

"Well, what's the use of taking such a roundabout way of getting just where I started? I don't have to work now?"

A Jersey City druggist is making a collection of the queer orders he receives from people who send children to the store for things. Here are a few samples of them:

"This child is my little girl. I sent you five cents to buy to sitness powders for a grown up adult who is sick."

Another reads:

"Dear Doctor, please give five sense words of Auntie T. to her for to gargle with her throat and oblige."

An anxious mother writes:

"You will please give the little boy five cents worth of opac for to throw up in a five months old babe. N. B.—The babe has a sore throat and he refuses to eat. This one puzzled the druggist: 'I have a cute pain in my child's diagram. Please give my son something to release it.'"

Another anxious mother wrote:

"My little baby has cut up its father's parish plaster. Send an antidote quick as possible by the enclosed little girl."

This writer was evincing in pain:

"I had a hot time in my insides and when I took it to be extinguished. What is good for too extinguish it? We have good quarter for the price of the extinguisher. Hurry please."

A man on the north side saw a mason line man of the hammer of the nail on the sidewalk, the other evening, hopelessly intoxicated. Disgusted at the sight, he was about to pass on unheeding of his neighbor's misfortune when the story of the good Samaritan flashed across his mind and he resolved to be once to be helpfully.

He accosted the fallen one and assisted him to his unsteady feet, and after much persistent interviewing succeeded in ascertaining the number of his home. "Thither he piloted the wayward companion and was rewarded on the doorway by a volley of thanks and a most impromptu invitation to enter and take a drink.

"No," responded the modern Samaritan emphatically, "I won't go in and take a drink and you'd better follow my example and get to bed as quickly as you can."

"All right, guess I will," muttered the tipsy host drowsily. "But tell me your name, anyway. I want to know the name of the man who brought me to my door."

As his eloquence and voice were waxing in strength the Samaritan thought it wisdom to comply in some way with his associate's desires and at the same time had no intention to reveal his own identity.

"Paul is my name," he answered at last in compromise, turning to go down the steps.

"Come here, Paul," eagerly called the other man at once. "Come back and answer the question I've been asking you for years. Paul," he continued impressively, "did you ever get an answer to your letters to the Ephesians?"

A Book on Cocoa and Chocolate.

Walter Baker & Co. Ltd., Dorchester, Mass., have just published a handsomely illustrated quarto of 72 pages entitled: "Cocoa and Chocolate: A Short History of Their Production and Use." It contains a large amount of valuable and interesting matter relating to the cocoa tree and its fruit; the early use of cocoa and chocolate and their food value as determined by distinguished chemists and physicians. In conclusion a sketch is given of the cocoa house of Walter Baker & Co., the oldest and largest establishment of its kind on this continent. Some copies of rare old prints are introduced into the text, and the various stages of picking, curing and preparing the fruit for domestic use are represented by engravings from photographs taken in the West Indies, Ceylon, and at the mills in Dorchester.

Some fresh and interesting figures are given on the consumption of cocoa and chocolate in Europe and America. It appears that there has been a remarkable increase during the last twenty years in the United States, England, and Germany—"the countries in which the greatest progress is being made in the science of nutrition, and the trends which have done so much to cheapen the cost and improve the quality of articles of food."

A recent estimate of the total amount of crude cocoa exported from the tropical regions in which it is produced, partly on official figures and partly on expert estimates, is about 150,000,000 pounds per annum. Guayaquil, Ecuador, heads the list of exports with about 33,500,000 pounds. The British island of Trinidad comes next, with about 22,000,000 pounds.

In Great Britain the amount consumed in 1831 was only 1/4 of an ounce for each inhabitant. In 1897 it had risen to 14 ounces—that is, about 36,000,000 pounds. It appears that cocoa is actually taking the place of coffee, the per capita use of the former having increased about 600 per cent. since 1860, while the per capita use of the latter has decreased about 365 per cent.

In the United States the increased consumption of cocoa in recent years has been even more striking. The amount retained for home consumption in 1860 was only 1,311,054 pounds, about 3-5 of an ounce for each inhabitant. The average annual consumption for the three years, 1896, 1897 and 1898, amounted to 26,319,275 pounds, an increase in thirty-seven years of 2,130 per cent.

If the increased consumption of the last thirty-seven years is continued until 1934—and that is altogether probable in view of the fact that cocoa is one of the very few articles which contain all the essentials of a perfect food—the amount of crude cocoa required by this country alone will be nearly 600,000,000 pounds. The islands over which our sovereignty, or protection, of the United

States has recently been extended are all within the cocoa belt (i. e. within the parallels of latitude in which cocoa can be successfully cultivated), and we may look for an enormous development of the production during the next quarter of a century.

NORTH WOODSTOCK.

Helen Doughty is at home at present. The farmers are beginning to work their land.

W. A. Billings has been quite sick for several weeks.

Mrs. Alice Harding is very much afflicted with eczema.

C. H. Sessions was at Portland on business, one day last week.

Mrs. N. Farnum has been in quite poor health several weeks.

Bert Emerson of Gorham, N. H., is visiting at Emerson Billings'.

C. H. Sessions has purchased a work horse of Aurilus Stevens of Locke's Mills.

Asa Sessions has sold his cow Dan to Jewell Burt and bought a good work horse of Perry Carey of Paris.

School in Billings district commences May 8th, with Matoria Day of Bryant's Pond as teacher. She boards at Asa Sessions'.

Albert Richmond has moved his family from E. Doughty's to the Newell Grove farm which he has leased the coming season.

Aurilus Stevens came to Milton with a large wagon, last Friday, and moved R. H. Sessions' household goods to Locke's Mills. Walter Sessions carried the family over Saturday.

The cream carrier has not made a trip for over a week. The farmers have an abundance of cream on hand. The lowlands are covered with water and it is impossible to get the cream to the depot at Rumford Falls, where it is shipped to the Turner Creamery.

David B. Harding went to Auburn to his brother Frank's, last Monday. He was married to Lulu Hatch, May 3d. The young couple will visit relatives at Haverhill, Mass., and other places and be at home to their friends at North Woodstock after May 25th. May their lives be happy and prosperous.

West Oxford Teachers.

The meeting of the West Oxford Teachers' Association held at Fryeburg, Tuesday, was one of much interest and attended by many teachers and school superintendents from the following towns: Brownfield, Hiram, Denmark, Stow, Lovell and Conway, N. H. The morning program included an excellent paper on "Nature Study" by Nellie F. Rockwood; a paper on "The New Geography" by Miss Abbott; a class exercise, reading, given by Ada A. Hatch. This exercise was very beneficial to all teachers, as Miss Hatch gave illustrations of the best methods in teaching reading with a class from the lowest grade of pupils. The presentation of the method was made with great clearness and simplicity. Hon. W. W. Stetson made a brief address, emphasizing the necessity of teaching thoroughly the essentials and called the attention of teachers to the value of the study of local geography. The first number on the afternoon program was a class exercise, Geography, given by Harriet F. Woodward of Conway, N. H. The topic was the lesson was "England." Miss Woodward's pupils responded with much thought and sympathy to the direct leadership of their teacher. The exercise was a valuable feature of the meeting. The president of the association, Rev. Ernest Hamlin Abbott gave an address on "The Value of the Summer School." He spoke of the worth of such meetings to all teachers who possess the true spirit of their chosen profession.

That worth and the results of the summer school held here were most truly shown in many ways during the entire session of the meeting, three of the teachers assisting in the exercises having been members of the school. The closing address given by the association, "Bible and Reading," was one of interest, valuable suggestions were offered to the teachers and all engaged in educational work.

Mrs. Stephen Matthews, who has traveled a great deal in Palestine, lately gave an address on "The Wines of the Bible." "All strict Jews," she said, "would know that fermented wine was never used in marriages," and she considered it nothing but blasphemy to assert that our Saviour would have created that which is the cause of so much evil and suffering. It was quite evident from the study of the Bible that the wine used at the Last Supper was not alcoholic. During Passover week, all strict Jews would have everything fermented removed from their houses.

Slightly Different.

Watts—Say, was it you who told me Browne had a habit of thinking aloud?

Potts—Not I. I told you he had a habit of talking to himself.—Indianapolis Journal.

An Aphorism.

This world's population resembles a homemade pie—the biggest and best part of it lies between the upper and under crusts.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

"Beautiful Witter."

[Song, with handkerchief accompaniment.]

Oh, the witter tite is the tite for be, Whed the ground is covered with slow, Ad icicles hag frob the greenwood tree As berrierty frob we go! (Achtu! Achtu! Achtu!)

Give the mother tite to the lovelick swaid Who sighs to his fair ladye; With papers ad hounds over moudtaid ad paid, Id the beautiful witter for be! (Achtu!)

Id the beautiful witter for be! The yachtsbad loveth the bodth of Jude, When south winds greately blow; The troubadour loveth the silv'ry bood, But I care for them dot—oh, do! (Achtu! Achtu!)

The hunter's bond is the early moid Ad a rid o'er the frosty lea; While the hills rig out with our jovial shout— (Achtu!)

Oh, the beautiful witter for be! (Achtu!)

Oh, the beautiful witter for be! Let the daddy glide through the brilliant road, Ad whisp'er the fair odes low; They dower cad batch the strength ad bloob The sodes of old Dihrod cad show. (Achtu!)

Oh, subber ad spring ad autub bay brig, Sobe pleasures of lad ad sea, But let who will praise their dights of their day. (Achtu!)

The beautiful witter for be! (Achtu!)

The beautiful witter for be! —Town Topics.

RUMFORD FALLS.

H. C. Ellis has opened a new blacksmith shop on Canal street.

W. O. Raynes went to Weld and caught a fish or two, last week.

Fred A. Porter brought in the first good string of brook trout. They were caught on the 2d of May.

Henry Colby and M. E. Wyman went to Portland, last week, to serve as petit jurors in the U. S. circuit court.

The daughter of Roy, and Mrs. J. L. Horie died suddenly, last week, of convulsions. She was 7 months old.

The Epworth League is in progress of reorganization. They have changed their meeting hour to 6 p. m., Sundays.

J. W. Simpson, R. Brooks Stratton and Waldo Pettengill attended the Freeman's grand lodge at Portland, last week.

The International Paper Company's trestle for unloading coal is 400 feet long and 100,000 feet of hard pine timber were used in building.

The falls have been at their best, and every amateur photographer for miles around has focussed his camera on the Niagara of New England.

Wednesday evening of last week some 30 or 40 Odd Fellows went to Canton by special train, and visited the lodge there. A good time is reported.

Last Thursday evening, the young people of the Universalist society gave the drama, Our Jim, to a crowded house and were heartily cheered by the audience.

Rev. Manley B. Townsend of Woodfords has been given a call to the pastorate of the Universalist churches of Rumford Falls and Dixfield. It is expected that Mr. Townsend will accept, and he wishes to get away from the sea breeze.

Rumford Falls band meets on Saturday evenings. The officers and musicians are:

President, W. R. Burt.
Secretary-Treasurer, E. S. Vaughan.
Leader, F. A. Parsons.
Sergeant, George E. Willis.
Solo cornet, Fred A. Parsons.
First cornet, F. H. Atwood, Joseph Dupill.
Second cornet, W. J. Burt.
Piccolo, Charles May.
Solo alto, Harry O. Davis.
First alto, Eugene M. Vaughan.
Second alto, S. J. Vaughan.
First trombone, A. B. Will.
Second trombone, Warren C. Bellows.
Baritone, George R. Willis.
Tuba, M. E. Butterfield.
Tenor drum, Walter Rolfe.
Bass drum and cymbals, Will Frost.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, in vacation, at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the sixth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD COUNTY ADVERTISER, a newspaper published at Norway, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Fryeburg on the first Tuesday of June, A. D. 1899, at 2 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ROYAL LORD, ward, of Fryeburg; petitioner for license to sell and convey real estate, presented by Edward E. Hastings, guardian.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court.

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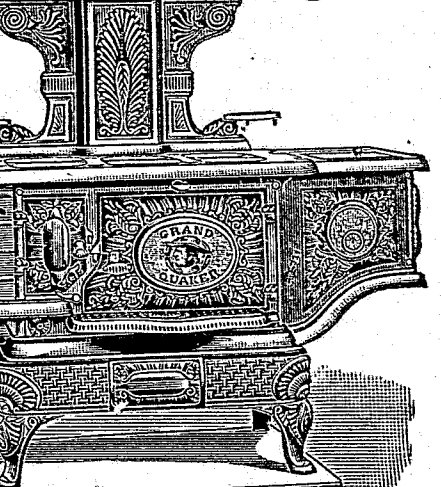
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LOVELL.

James Chandler was home from Saco over Sunday.

Frank Locke of Fryeburg is boss on building the mill dam.

Ell Witham has been having some papering done. Winthrop and Davis did the work.

J. Waldo McIntire and wife of West Fryeburg were visiting at A. R. Davis, Saturday.

P. B. Walker, C. H. Brown and J. A. Farrington went to Portland to the Masonic Grand Lodge meeting, last week.

Uncle Jim Fox was in the village, last week. He says he never saw the roads in so good shape at this time of the year as they are this spring.

At the Republican caucus, Friday, at the town house Henry G. Walker and Joseph F. Stearns were elected delegates to the Congressional district convention and were instructed for Swasey.

John Merrill was in town, a few days, on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Albert Merrill, who has been very sick. She is better. Mr. Merrill was born in Lovell, attended town schools and Fryeburg Academy. He is now a prosperous merchant of Marshfield, Mass.

Poorer Brothers of this town have made a contract with Morse Brothers of Bath for a large amount of ship timber. They will cut quite a lot in this town, also in Fryeburg, Stow and Sweden. Lloyd Poorer was in Bath, Saturday, and closed the contract and they will put in a crew of men at once, cutting timber.

NORTH PARIS.

Freeman Ellingwood is repairing his barn.

Theo Hammond is at work for Mrs. Seth Benson.

Myrtle Wentworth is home from school on Paris Hill.

Charlie F. Silver has returned to his work at Dickvale.

Dwight Stevens of Norway was at C. B. Stevens, Sunday.

Charlie Ross has moved his family to their new home in the Dean neighborhood.

Several from this place attended the funeral services of S. B. Locke at West Paris.

Mrs. Fred Dunham, who has been in poor health for a long time, is more comfortable.

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FRYEBURG.

Frank L. Mark is at his home in town. A. F. Lewis has returned from his southern trip.

Mrs. E. E. Hastings spent last week in Arlington, Mass.

Miss Howe returned to her school in Portland, Monday.

Mr. Wentworth, the proprietor of the Oxford, is in the place.

Gen. M. C. Wentworth of Wentworth Hall, Jackson, N. H., was in town, Monday.

The students at the Academy made a special observance of Arbor Day and presented a very interesting order of exercises.

The Academy nine were defeated by the Porter Academy club in a game of ball played here, Saturday, the score being 14 to 11.

The teachers' meeting held here, last week, was successful in all respects. There was a large attendance of teachers and an excellent program was presented.

The class parts at the Academy for the graduates have been assigned as follows:

Salutatory—Alton Shedd, Valedictory—Sadie Smith, Oration—Bernell, History—Mary B. Fane, Prophecy—Bertha Harriman, Gifts—Osgood.

The class in Number at the summer school will be under the direction of Mary S. Snow, superintendent of Bangor schools. The entire corps of teachers is made up of the best talent. The school affords opportunities that no teacher can afford to miss.

EAST HEBRON.

L. E. Thomas was in the place delivering fruit trees, last Friday.

Mrs. McIntire from Peru is visiting her mother, Mrs. Adrian Roberts.

W. S. Buckman lost a beautiful two-year-old heifer he bought at \$40.

Frank and Fred Keane are making improvements on the old homestead.

Cyrus Ramsdell has been out for a few times since he commenced to gain.

H. A. Record sold a very large cosset for \$6.50 to Mr. Penley's agent from Auburn.

George F. McKenney passed last Saturday with his grandfather, C. F. McKenney.

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CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many friends, who so kindly aided us in our deep sorrow in the sickness and death of our dear wife and daughter, the singers who sang sweet music and the many beautiful flowers given by friends and relatives.

WATERFORD.

Harry Hill is at work for F. M. Atherton.

Mr. Sawyer of South Gardiner was in the place, last week.

Geo. L. Warren is quite poorly, being unable to do any work.

C. B. Learned was obliged to leave Col. Hapgood's mill on account of a sore arm.

S. S. Hersey is at home again. Very few of our young men step around as smart as he does.

Geo. H. Keen is confined to his bed in consequence of a strain, which it is supposed he got some time ago.

L. G. Stone is putting Prof. Henry P. Warren's house in order ready for the family, who are expected in June.

We wish to give a word of warning to those who take advantage of the good nature of our people and come from neighboring towns to fish our brooks, Sunday, as Sunday is close time.

Those who fish on that day are liable to arrest and fine, and our patience is about exhausted. A word to the wise is sufficient.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

Pearl Brown is at work for W. H. Haynes.

Edna Haynes is at work for Mrs. M. W. Knight at Bridgton.

Jennie Hamlin visited at her aunt's, Mrs. Joshua Bennett's in Bridgton, last week.

School in district No. 7 commenced, Tuesday, May 2, taught by Mae Merrill of North Norway.

Alice Monroe is teaching school at Magalloway Plantation. Her sister is teaching at Bryant's Pond.

Frank Hall and Frank Monroe, who are at work in the bicycle factory in Portland, made a flying visit in town, the past week.

Ebel Nelson, who has been in Massachusetts at work for Louis Grimes, has returned home and is teaching school at Waterford Flat.

FRYEBURG CENTER.

Dean McDaniel is at work for Frank Barker.

Albert Quint's little daughter Edith is sick with measles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Gordon were in Portland, last week.

Dr. Perry was a recent guest at Rev. B. N. Stoue's at the village.

Don Charles of Chatham works for Chandler Buzzell, this summer.

John Rollins, who has been confined in doors all winter, is able to be out.

Mrs. Eliza York and Ripley Wiley of Boston visited their invalid mother recently at Dexter Wiley's.

Elmer Baker has a new bicycle.

Don Charles is working for C. E. Buzzell.

The road machine will start, Wednesday.

The indications point to a light day crop.

W. H. Howard lost a nice calf, a short time ago.

Chas. Buzzell and wife have moved to her mother's on Fish street.

Alex Stevens has a calf dropped, last week, that weighed 120 pounds.

SOUTH HARRISON.

William Johnson has lost a horse by sickness.

Orin Ross has made a flying trip to Portland.

Fred Flagg of Naples is at work for A. P. Chaplin.

John H. Ford has bought Jim Thompson's place.

Carrie Gilkey is at work at Howard Randall's. Also her uncle, Ransom Gilkey.

Horace Libby and wife of Bridgton were guests at William Burnham's, last Sunday.

Alice Burnham, who has been at work at Edison's of Naples, has returned home.

A. C. Buck has laid a pipe from his well to the house, which is very handy for water purposes.

Albert Nelson of South Waterford made a brief call at Herman Thompson's, last Sunday.

Will E. Burnham appears on the streets with a new wagon. This, with his high stepping horse, makes him a very stylish man.

NORWAY LAKE.

Dr. Hersey of Oxford was at the Lake, last week.

Mrs. Winnie Hall is at home from her work in Oxford.

Miss Bessey of Waterville is a guest at C. A. Stoppel's.

Mrs. Sarah Marston is visiting relatives and friends in Norway.

Mrs. S. A. Stevens is in Auburn with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Dane.

Alvah Rounds of Mechanic Falls was at C. W. and W. S. Partridge's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gorham of Bethel are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Pride, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Needham and children of North Norway visited at John Woods, Saturday and Sunday.

Norway Lake Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, May 17. Program: Dutch Settlements, Customs, etc., in America.

Reading, Mrs. Christine Stephens, Reading, Mrs. Ursula Perry, Reading, Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Miss E. M. Partridge.

Pleasant Ridge.—Maybaskets and surprise parties are quite plenty.

Edwin Marston is at work for Albert Newhall.

M. D. Bartlett is at work for Eunice Marston, this week.

Mrs. Morse and son of Oxford were at her niece's, F. E. Marston's, recently.

David Gorham and wife of Bethel visited their old neighbor, Mrs. Sabrina Lasselle, Tuesday of this week.

SOUTH RUMFORD.

George Boisseau is working on the sorting gang.

Mrs. Joan Rolfe is visiting in this place. She is stopping with Mrs. W. F. Clark.

The water has fallen so teams can go below the P. O. The cream gatherer missed four trips.

C. Hemingway has bought the little building that set in C. R. Cary's doorway and moved it round behind his barn.

EAST STONEHAM.

The season is unusually forward here. Grant McAllister is building a house for his family.

Mrs. Mary A. Stearns has been sick of late and under medical treatment.

Accident.

While working in J. Bartlett's saw mill, one of the last week, Leslie McAllister got his right hand injured quite badly with a broken stove which was thrown from the saw.

Besides being bruised, there was a gash cut in his hand by a splinter of the stove which came in contact with the hand as it flew. He will probably have little use of the injured hand for some weeks. Mr. M. is an industrious young man with a family to care for.

We are told that George Brown has let his farm, the present season, to his brother Alonzo.

We are informed that Mrs. Nettie McAllister contemplates moving to North Waterford ere long. Her present residence is small and not convenient for so large a family.

Albion Moody has been on the sick list for more than two weeks, for a few days not able to sit up and under the doctor's care. He is slowly improving but still in feeble health.

Mr. Ricker has let his place for the present year, we understand, to Mr. Gilbert. Mr. Ricker, who is well advanced in years, is no longer able to carry on his farm and has done work enough in his long life to now rest for his labors.

Anecdote.

Many laughable as well as sad incidents occur now and then. Long years ago, before I came here, a little incident occurred in this town that struck me as being ludicrous in the extreme.

It is strictly true in substance but as some of the relatives of the hero might take exception to its being made public, I withhold the name.

A man living in a part of this town conceived the fine idea of building a chimney and fire-place in the chamber of his house, so that he could have a room of his own to retire to, whenever he felt disposed, secure from interruption by other members of the family.

After the job was completed he started a cheerful blaze in his fire-place and when the room got warm, he invited a few of his gentlemen friends to come in and spend the evening with him and on the joyful occasion.

They were having a fine time smoking, eating apples and indulging in song and story, as each in turn strove to enliven the hour.

Meanwhile an element was working, silently but surely, destined to surprise this happy company and bring dismay to the jovial host.

"All at once and nothing first" fire-place, hearth, fire and chimney disappeared as if by magic in the regions below, and stopped not till they landed in the cellar, a grand ruin.

Like the man who built his house up on the sand, he had miscalculated in building his hearth upon the chamber floor.

When the bricks became hot enough to char the wood beneath such a fire, it would be the result. They could no longer bear the weight of the chimney.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Small are visiting at West Littlefield's.

Mrs. S. L. Moody has had an addition built to the house for a pantry and well room and had a pump set in.

Bert Littlefield has had his house and sheds newly shingled and his chimney topped out, making a great improvement in the looks of the buildings.

The schoolhouse in this district has been painted and papered, this spring, and will soon have some new curtains to protect the scholars from the glaring sun.

Some of the ladies gave their assistance in cleaning the schoolhouse free, we are told, and thus saved the amount of money had to be hired to clean toward furnishing the same.

It is very commendable I am sure, and all persons interested should be grateful.

Washing machines, wringers and sewing machines have all been introduced into Stoneham since your correspondent came here.

The first sewing machine here that has any knowledge of was owned by Mrs. Elijah Russell, then living here. It was a small hand machine to attach to a table, a one thread machine. It cost enough to pay for a pretentious sewing machine now.

It was considered a wonder at that time. 29 years ago one or two more machines were brought here, now almost every family have them.

RUMFORD.

Amos Austin is on the sick list.

H. L. Elliott was in the village, Monday.

Anna Tuttle has been quite ill for the past week.

Ed. Cummings of Norway spent Sunday in town.

Mary Roberts has returned to her home at Rumford Falls.

Eddie Hutchins and Ed. Martin were down from Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. Amanda York and Mrs. T. H. Burgess were in the place, Sunday.

H. Donham, wife and son visited Mrs. D.'s sister, Mrs. A. A. Martin, Saturday.

William H. Farnum of Rumford Center has had his pension increased from \$6 to \$8.

Mrs. Godwin has returned home after spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Bertie Austin.

The V. I. S. will provide a dinner at their hall on the day of auction of W. W. Stevens' goods.

Etta Smith is quite poorly.

Josie Mains has the mumps.

Ed. Gerish returned to Connecticut, May 8th.

Mrs. Lovica Mayberry is not so well as she has been.

Mr. Sargent of Vermont is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. J. Sylvester.

Katie Noble of Harrison is at work for Mrs. Albion Nutting, doing housework.